



June 6, 2006

Andrea Nixon Clerk, Cable Television Division Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station Boston, MA 02111

Dear Ms. Nixon:

The Town of Holliston would like to register its strong opposition to Verizon's March 16, 2006, rulemaking petition filed with the Cable Division of the Department of Telecommunications and Energy. Verizon's petition proposes extremely unreasonable new rules for initial cable

The time frames suggested in the petition are untenable and unrealistic. Existing licensing timetables have worked well for decades and should not be changed at the behest of a single

Holliston has "level playing field" language in its existing license and welcomes competition and multiple cable TV providers. New providers know at the outset what our expectations are and there is a clear path to a timely licensing conclusion.

We ask that the Massachusetts Cable Division reject Verizon's petition and allow local officials to continue to serve their constituents through a time tested process.

Very truly yours,

Carl F. Damigella, Chairman

ew M. Porter. Vice-Chairman

William McColl, Clerk

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